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HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY 2480 LLEWELLYN AVENUE FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND 20755-5800

REPLY ATTENTION OF 3 September 2002

POLICY STATEMENT NO. 7

RIGHT OF SOLDIERS TO PRESENT COMPLAINTS OR REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

- 1. All soldiers have the right to present complaints, grievances or requests for assistance to the inspector general (IG). These may include what the soldier reasonably believes evidences fraud, waste, and abuse.
- 2. Before visiting the IG, you should consider whether your concerns can be addressed more quickly and simply by referring them to your chain of command first.
- 3. If your concern is in regard to discrimination due to race, color, religion, gender, age or national origin, it is an equal opportunity matter and must be presented to Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Center's (KACC's) Equal Opportunity Leader, SSG Timothy Crutchfield, at 78453. Such matters must be resolved via equal opportunity channels, not by the IG.
- 4. You do not have to present your concerns to your chain of command before visiting the IG. However, you must obtain permission to be absent from your duties if you wish to visit the IG during your duty hours. You do not have to tell anyone why you want to visit the IG.
- 5. If you have addressed a concern to your chain of command and it has not be resolved, you should contact KACC's Acting IG:

CPT Winico Martinez, Environmental Sciences Officer, Preventive Medicine Service, room 2C13, second floor, building 2480, phone: (301) 677-8000.

- 6. If you believe you need assistance beyond that you received from KACC's Acting IG, you may contact any of the following:
 - a. Fort George G. Meade IG at 77393.
 - b. North Atlantic Regional Medical Command IG at (202) 782-3529.
 - c. Department of the Army IG (DAIG) Hotline at 1-800-752-9747 or (703) 695-1578.
 - d. Department of Defense IG (DoDIG) Hotline at 1-800-424-9098 or (703) 693-5080.

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